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Mr. Blaine Edmo Chairman Fort Hall Business Council Shoshone-Bannock Tribes P.O. Box 306 Fort Hall, ID 83203

Dear Chairman Edmo:

This letter is to thank you and the Fort Hall Business Council for meeting with Kelly Madalinski of my staff on October 16 to discuss the findings in the report prepared by us, Treatment Technologies for Historical Ponds Containing Elemental Phosphorus - Summary and Evaluation, dated April 30, 2002. I appreciate you providing us the opportunity for the briefing and trust the Fort Hall Business Council found the report useful.

As Kelly mentioned during the briefing, we are seeking comments from the Fort Hall Business Council and EPA Region 10 on the report by December 2, 2002. After receiving comments, we will revise the report accordingly and submit a "final report" to you and EPA Region 10. The final report will be publicly available upon request.

Should you have any further questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at 703-603-9910. Also, feel free to contact Kelly. He can be reached at 703-603-9901 or at madalinski.kelly@epa.gov.

We look forward to receiving your comments.

Sincerely,

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